

## MYSTERIOUS PEARLS SOLD BY STOURDZAS

They Had Been in Family Since  
Latter Years of the Sec-  
ond Empire.

CURING TUMORS BY RADIUM

Paris Hears New York Declared  
for Suffrage and Gets  
Excited.

PARIS, Feb. 8.—It is said that the wonderful collection of pearls recently sold here, which were variously reported to be the property of the Sultan and Empress Eugenie, really belonged to the Stourdzas family. They were collected mostly in the latter years of the Second Empire by Prince Michel Stourdzas, the celebrated Greek of Moldavia, after his marriage with a Russian princess in 1850. He died in Paris in 1887, leaving a considerable fortune.

Dr. Dominice this week read a paper before the Academy of Medicine on the results of his own investigations and those of his collaborators, Drs. Cheon and Rubens Duval, for the treatment of malignant tumors by radium. Photographs of patients taken before and after the treatment were shown. Reproductions were exhibited of anatomical sections showing the evolution of a cancerous tissue under the influence of radium. Four patients were present in the adjoining room for examination.

The treatment, Dr. Dominice said, had invariably proved effective for deep vascular tumors and had cured superficial cancers. It had proved palliative for deep seated cancers, relieving the pain and making the tumor more accessible to the knife. A marked improvement followed the application of radium even if it were temporary. Certain deep cancers in the thyroid glands and the neck and womb under the skin, generating rays may be said to have been cured, as a complete retrogression had been secured which was still persisting after three or four years.

Despite these favorable results the three investigators consider that the radium treatment should be used in combination with surgical operations and must not be regarded as succeeding them.

The lecture before the Franco-American committee on Wednesday was by Baron d'Estournelles de Constant. The subject was supposed to be on public and social life in the United States, but the lecturer treated the matter rather as a friendly talk on American reminiscences. He said that although he was not a feminist when he went to the United States he was converted at San Francisco against his will. At that place, where he was asked to speak at a woman's meeting, the chairman remarked that he was a Frenchman and came from a country where a mother does not allow her daughter to go out alone. The Baron replied that the French mother was right; the daughters could not be allowed on the boulevards on account of the questionable characters to be found there, but those were from all other countries except France. He found that the struggle against alcohol was the work of women, and this seems to have aided in his conversion to feminism.

The Baron highly praised American cooking. He said he found that on occasional occasions it was excellent. Even about the tables he was well fed. He picked out for special praise baked apples, which he had formerly imagined were merely a French product. Oatmeal and fresh cream, he said, could be found everywhere and they were easily superior to what was found even in the best French restaurants.

An important report that the State of New York had granted woman suffrage aroused more interest in the question here than the granting of the franchise to women by other States in America and countries like Sweden.

Helen Miropolsky, one of the prettiest women members of the Paris bar, collected opinions as to how such a reform would suit French temperament, ideas and traditions. Deputy Buisson, chairman of the Universal Suffrage Commission, said he believed that the reform would produce a veritable renaissance in public life. Women, he said, were less limited by political traditions. He added: "Who knows if, thanks to them, new ideas of justice and new shades of delicacy would not penetrate our laws and thereby our customs? Let us admit women to the municipal vote first and then so on."

M. Benoit, the great advocate of proportional representation, took the opposite view. He said: "Why make woman vote? She has nothing to gain, for if she follows her instinct she is far more sure to ruin her influence secretly than in fighting in the open. Her tastes and mental tendencies attach her too much to detail. It is difficult for her to rise to general ideas. Do not quote the example of foreigners, Anglo-Saxons and others. Chivalry never existed in those countries. I mean by that, the never existing obsession of women, those distant, respectful, ever excited courtships which made her the centre and sole attraction of society in the Middle Ages."

The monarchist Deputy Denys Cochin says the result of such a reform would be to make women leave the true role to which Christianity assigned her.

The socialist Deputy Sembat thinks women would be a valuable auxiliary to his party.

## VAN ALLEN SELLS ESTATE.

Richmond Hall, With 3,000 Acres,  
Knocked Down at Auction.

LOUISVILLE, Feb. 8.—Richmond Hall at Kentucky, with 3,000 acres, has been sold at auction for J. Van Allen, formerly of Louisville.

It was the principal seat of the Trevelyan family in the sixteenth century. Later on it became the residence of the Duke of Devonshire. Mr. Van Allen purchased it in 1872, and has since then spent a great deal of money on it. It contains about forty bedrooms and sixteen bathrooms and is a beautifully fitted house.

The decorations are almost unequalled in this country.

## SOME OF EUROPE'S IDEAL ROYAL MOTHERS AND THEIR CHILDREN



## ROYAL MOTHERS FOND OF NURSERY

Most of Ruling Families of Europe Bring Up Their  
Children by Hand, Contrary to  
General Opinion

Special Correspondence to THE SUN.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—It is generally supposed that royal mothers are able to devote very little time to their children, but this is far from being the case. Royal children nowadays see quite as much of their parents as the children of wealthy families. Most of the queens and crown princesses in Europe at present are domestically inclined and have no yearning for banquets and functions, preferring the nursery and its pleasures.

Queen Mary of England will of course go down to posterity as a model mother, if a somewhat severe one. She keeps in such close touch with her children and their friends that she has no time for personal friendships and really divides her life between her family and the State.

The Czarina of Russia, until her health broke down recently, had no thought outside her children and spent whole days with her four daughters and the adored Czarévitch. Even now that she has become a confirmed invalid and it is thought wiser that she should not have them with her so constantly, her one desire is to know what they are doing and her one happiness in the day, the few moments when they come and talk with her.

The Queen of Italy is still another mother who has watched over her little ones since their infancy, personally directed their lives, nursed them through childhood ailments, and taught them their first games.

These royal mothers, however, rarely parade their maternal devotion. They are seldom photographed with their sons and daughters, nor are they seen much with them in public.

The opposite is true of the Queen of Spain. She goes about with her children constantly, drives through the streets with them to the great joy of the Spanish people and is eternally being pictured with one or all of her small family.

This does not mean any less devotion in private, though, for Queen Victoria of Spain is a most careful mother, always supervising the diet and daily regime of the little princess and the princess and taking her greatest pleasure in devising new games for them or surprising them with wonderful toys.

As a girl she was devoted to children and always declared Queen Mary, then Princess of Wales, her ideal mother. In fact she used to announce that she intended to have just as many children as her royal cousin and would bring them up the same way, and it would seem that she is on the road to that achievement.

But unfortunately, while Queen Mary's children are hardy and healthy, Queen Victoria's little ones are not. The oldest boy, the Prince of Asturias, is far from robust, while Don Jaime, the second, is practically dumb from a disease of the glands of the throat, and the little Infanta Beatrice, too, needs the most incessant care and attention.

The Crown Princess of Sweden, who was Margaret of Connaught, is another mother who photographed royal mother. She is tremendously proud of her sturdy youngsters, cannot bear being separated from them and manages always to take at least one with her even when she goes on state or private visits.

She brings up her children on the simplest food, the airiest of nurseries and the daily walk or drive, in rainy or sunshiny weather. But she has never had to struggle against prejudice as did her cousin of Spain. Sweden was quite prepared to believe in English methods of child rearing, whereas Spain was horrified at all Queen Victoria's nursery innovations and thought it was shameful that children of the royal blood should be treated in such wise.

The Queen of Holland is one of the proudest and most adoring mothers in the world. Upon Princess Juliana rest all her hopes and all the hopes of the Dutch people and never was baby more idolized. She is too young as yet to be spoiled, but even now she realizes her power and rules her father and mother and the entire palace kindly, but firmly.

The Crown Princess of Germany is more fond of life and gaiety than the other royal mothers mentioned. She lives a perfect whirl of pleasure and excitement, is famous as the best dressed princess in Europe and loves horses and sport, and she finds time to be much with her boys. When they are all in the country she takes long walks with them and has taught them to play tennis.

She does not personally supervise their diet and general nursery regime, but she knows at once if all is not going well, and will be the person to blame.

Prince and Princess George of Greece are a very devoted father and mother. In fact they are most domestic anyway and lead the quietest of lives. The Princess bathes her children herself and goes about with them in the palace grounds, or has them with her when she takes her afternoon drive.

Queen Maud of Norway and her son,

Prince Olaf, are inseparable companions. They ride in the early mornings and after lessons are over for the day Olaf has two hours with his mother, and in that time they read aloud, or talk or play games and are perfectly happy.

The King and Queen of Belgium are training their children very carefully and they spend much time with their boys and their one girl. Their home life is very simple and quiet, and Belgium finds it a relief to have a domestic royal family after the excitements and scandals of King Leopold's reign.

## SPECIAL TRAIN FOR BABIES.

Department in Restaurant Car for  
Preparing Milk.

LONDON, Jan. 31.—The 11.15 train on the Great Eastern Railway to Yarmouth is known as the babies' express. The little passengers are specially catered for and a department has been made in the restaurant car for preparing milk bottles and food for the babies.



Queen of Spain with Her Children.

## ROYALTY RUSHES TO SEE RAINEY FILMS

New York Pictures of Celebrated African Hunt  
Send Society to Second Rate London  
Music Hall

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

LONDON, Feb. 8.—Paul Rainey's African hunting pictures are the latest society craze. The proprietors of the films were unable to procure a West End theatre, where the West End managers are now regretting. They were obliged to take a second rate music hall located between the boarding house and of Bloomsbury and slumland, where the highest priced seat usually sells for 3s. 6d. Society quickly discovered the value of the pictures and resorted to the show at 12.25 a seat.

Among those who attended during the past week were Princess Henry of Battenberg, the Duke of Teck, Lord and Lady Newcastle, the Duke and Duchess of Manchester, Mrs. Leeds, Viscountess Haldane, the former Secretary of War, Sir Edward Grey, the Foreign Minister, Lord Roberts, Mr. and Mrs. Newborough, Lord de Rothschild, Vice-Admiral Sir Charles Beresford, Prime Minister and Mrs. Asquith, Sir John and Lady Lister-Kaye, Sir Gilbert and Lady Parker, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harcourt, Sydney Buxton, Lady Curzon and many others whose names fill the pages of Debut. Their automobiles and carriages furnished an unusual spectacle outside a house whose audience usually dashes for a bus or the "tuppenny" tube if it does not walk home.

The high gambling which characterized the days of Charles James Fox is being outdone in the present time in London. The SUN's cables have told of the high play at the club in Wilton Crescent which was recently raided, and also of other clubs which up to now have not been raided. But this week the society has been talking of a game of chemin de fer which occurred at a nobleman's flat, where some member of Parliament lost \$450,000 in a single night. Certain impetuous gentlemen of good families are making an excellent living in steering the wealthiest people toward these games.

Mr. H. Russell finds that owing to a hair trigger decision of the actor, Sam

Sothorn, he will not be forced to sail alone on George Gould's yacht Atalanta for Key West, Russell was dining on Thursday with Sothorn and said to him: "I am sailing to-morrow and shall be homesick. If you have nothing to do, why not come along?"

Sothorn replied: "Give me an hour to think it over."

Within an hour Sothorn replied in the affirmative and the pair sailed on the Atalanta from Southampton. The yacht will go to the south, either to Madeira or the Azores, and thence westward to Key West, where the Gould party will join it on arch 1. Thence the yacht will cruise to Panama, the West Indies and the Spanish Main.

The death of Bradley Martin is widely mourned. The Bradley Martins held a unique position among American residents in this country, as they had become "part and parcel" of English society.

Mr. and Mrs. Maudlin Drummond, the latter formerly Mrs. Marshall Field, Jr., were unexpectedly thrown into mourning by the death of Andrew Drummond at St. Moritz. He caught a cold, which developed into pneumonia.

The Earl and Countess of Granard gave a dinner on Tuesday at Forbes House. The guests included the French and Spanish Ambassadors, the Duchess of Marlborough, Mr. and Mrs. Lewis Harcourt, Mr. and Mrs. Winston Churchill, P. E. Smith, the Earl and Countess of Beauchamp, Lord Herschell and others.

The Duchess of Marlborough in the early part of the week was with a brilliant house party at the Duke of Rutland's Belvoir Castle.

Lady Bateman, who was formerly Miss Marian Alice Graham of New York, has now practically recovered from her recent severe operation. She was able to receive this week.

The Duke of Manchester has gone to Kilmorock Castle. The Duchess of Manchester, who was formerly Miss Helena Zimmerman of Cincinnati, remains at Tanderagee Castle.

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## THUMBS AN INDEX TO THE CHARACTER

British Palmist Tells How He  
Examined Hands of Great  
Scientists.

DR. WALLACE'S BIG ONES

Remarkable for Spread and  
Delicate Tracery of  
Markings.

Special Correspondence to THE SUN.  
LONDON, Jan. 31.—C. W. Child, who has been analyzing the characters of our leading scientists as read by a palmist from their hands and has published his conclusions in the *International Psychical Gazette*, has much to answer for.

The subject would seem to have caught on in an unprecedented manner, for the cry "Let's look at your thumb" is becoming monotonous. Young ladies are especially pertinacious on the subject, and we have not all of us got Caesarean thumbs.

Among others Mr. Child deals faithfully with the hand of Dr. Alfred Russel Wallace, D. M., the acknowledged greatest living man of science.

"It is," says the palmist, "remarkable for its abnormal size, extensive spread and the delicate tracery of its numerous markings. These indicate a very powerful personality, evincing extraordinary courage and an indefatigable worker."

"Now no one can help remarking the peculiar setting of the thumb, its excessive length and fine proportion. It seems as if it were standing aloof from the palm, acting as a monitor or light-house, subjecting everything before being accepted to the most rigorous scrutiny. 'It is the thumb which differentiates man from the brute creation. The thumb of the monkey is nothing more than a wad of flesh stuck on the palm and at best but a very poor imitation of the real thing. 'From an examination of the thumb alone, say of a youth, it is possible to form a fairly accurate estimate of his chances in life if wholly dependent upon himself.'"

Mr. Child says he has examined many thousands of hands, but never one that could be compared with that of this veteran scientist. Lord Roberts, Gen. Booth, G. F. Watts, W. T. Stead and Bernard Shaw all show enormous thumbs, but not so conspicuous and formidable.

## AMERICAN ART EXHIBITED.

Students in Paris Expose Work—  
Mrs. Whitelaw Reid Prize Given.

Special Cable Dispatch to THE SUN.

PARIS, Feb. 8.—The American art students gave a vernissage yesterday. Their exhibition will be open until February 13. Mrs. Whitelaw Reid has offered two prizes, the first of 550 francs (\$150) and the second of 250 francs (\$65).

Mrs. and Miss de Grasse Fox of Philadelphia are at Cannes. Later they will go to Rome. They will return to Paris at the end of April, where they contemplate remaining for a term of years. Harry Lehr has fully recovered from his recent illness and on February 3 led the cotillon at the Palace Hotel at St. Moritz.

Leroy White is a passenger on La Provence, sailing to-day. Russell Landsdale has sailed for home.

Mrs. Seth Barton French has gone to Berlin.

Mr. and Mrs. Paul Miles have gone to Monte Carlo.

Mr. and Mrs. Jules A. Montant are automobiling to Nice.

Mr. Mason, the American Consul-General, and Mrs. Mason have gone to Algiers for a short stay.

Mrs. David Stewart expects to leave for Rome in a short time.

Chauncey R. Bair of Chicago has been staying at Naples.

Amos French is stopping at Monte Carlo.

Mr. and Mrs. J. C. Thaw are now at St. Moritz.

Mrs. French Vanderbilt has left for a trip up the Nile.

Mrs. S. G. Archibald has suspended her receptions during Lent. Elmer Burnham gave one of his delightful musicales to-day.

## AMERICANS AT COURT BALL.